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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

    1.   (Currently Amended) In a description of multimedia contents based on a usage environment descriptor and a user preference descriptor of the multimedia contents, a method of generating a digital item declaration document configured to be implemented in an electronic device, the method comprising:

    applying a "ChoicePrecedence" to ~~the~~ an input DID instance document;

    modifying a corresponding "ChoicePrecedence" of the input DID instance document in an order designated in the "ChoicePrecedence"; and

    generating a rearranged DID instance document, wherein the "ChoicePrecedence" is ~~a relative~~ an absolute precedence ~~and designates higher or lower than a "BaseChoice"~~.

    2.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein a process of inserting a DIAinDID descriptor into the DID instance document is preceded so as to make it possible to modify the input DID instance document adaptably, wherein the DIAinDID represents a corresponding choice.

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3.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 2, wherein the DIAinDID descriptor includes a "TargetChoice" and a target choice condition.

4.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the input DID instance document is an original DID instance document.

5.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the input DID instance document is a recently adapted DID instance document obtained by modification just before adaptation.

6.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the input DID instance document is a newly adapted DID instance document generated by a current adaptive modification.

7.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the "ChoicePrecedence" applies a "SpecifiedPrecedence".

8.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the "ChoicePrecedence" applies a "BaseChoice".

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9.   (Canceled)

10.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the "ChoicePrecedence"
is designated as one of a "First" precedence, a "Second" precedence, a "Third" precedence and a
"Last" precedence.

11.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the "ChoicePrecedence"
includes a "Preemptive" excluding previously considered choices from consideration and
performing a configuration process while considering only a designated choice.

12.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the "ChoicePrecedence"
includes a "Delete" precedence deleting a designated choice and performing a configuration
process.

13.   (Canceled)

14.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the rearranged DID
instance document is generated by using an attribute of "reset" for using an original DID
instance document as an adapted DID instance document just before in case the
"ChoicePrecedence" is applied to generate the DID instance document.

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15. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the rearranged DID instance document is generated by using an attribute of "reorder" for referring to choice, which does not exist in an adapted DID instance document just before, in an original DID instance document in case the "ChoicePrecedence" is applied to generate the DID instance document.

16. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the rearranged DID instance document is generated by using an attribute of "before" to represent whether to designate higher or lower precedence than a "BaseChoice" in case the "ChoicePrecedence" is applied to generate the DID instance document.

17. (Currently Amended) In a description of multimedia contents based on a usage environment descriptor and a user preference descriptor of the multimedia contents, a method of generating a "ChoicePrecedence" descriptor of a digital item configured to be implemented in an electronic device, the method comprising:

describing a "TargetChoice" of the digital item, a condition if necessary, and a "ChoicePrecedenceClass"; and

describing a "SpecifiedPrecedence" or a "BaseChoice" to the "ChoicePrecedenceClass", wherein the "ChoicePrecedence" is ~~a relative~~ an absolute precedence ~~and designates higher or lower than a "BaseChoice"~~.

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18.   (Original) The method of claim 17, wherein the "ChoicePrecedenceClass" includes a "First" precedence meaning an absolute precedence of a corresponding choice, a "Second" precedence, a "Third" precedence, a "Last" precedence, a "Preemptive" precedence, and a "Delete" precedence.

19.   (Original) The method of claim 17, wherein the "ChoicePrecedence" descriptor includes an attribute of "reset" for using an original DID instance document as a recently adapted DID instance document, an attribute of "reorder" for referring to choice, which does not exist in an adapted DID instance document just before, in an original DID instance document, and an attribute of "before" for representing whether to designate higher or lower precedence than a "BaseChoice".

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